

MEDIA RELEASE

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High Water Closures of Corps Recreation Areas at Arkabutla Lake

VICKSBURG, Miss. – High water conditions on Arkabutla Lake will impact recreational opportunities during Memorial Day weekend. In addition, the lake's beaches will not be open to the public until the water elevation drops below 224.0 feet and repairs can be made.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers regrets any inconvenience this may cause those who planned on using Corps recreational facilities during the long weekend. The Corps is continuing operations to minimize impacts on recreation.

Below is a current listing of the status of roads, campgrounds, beaches, and other recreational areas at Arkabutla Reservoir. Please heed all local and state agency safety regulations during this high water period. Please adhere to all safety regulations to ensure a safe and fun filled holiday.

Arkabutla Closures:

- Pratt Road and all access to/from the Dam from the north & west CLOSED
- The Top of the Dam CLOSED
- South Abutment: 5 of 81 campsites CLOSED
- Hernando Point Day Use and Beach CLOSED
- South Abutment Beach CLOSED
- Pleasant Hill Beach CLOSED
- Sunfish Bay and equestrian trail CLOSED
- Coldwater Point Recreation and Boat Ramp CLOSED
- Hernando Point and Dub Patton: ALL campsites OPEN
- Following Boat Ramps OPEN: Bayou Point, Outlet Channel, Dub Patton, Pleasant Hill, Hernando Point, Highway 51 Landing and Kelley's Crossing

For more information on recreational opportunities at Corps of Engineers lakes, please visit http://corpslakes.usace.army.mil/visitors/visitors.cfm.

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